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TO: Amenity Authority Committee

FROM: John B. Rohan, Director of Recreation & Parks

DATE: November 9, 2022

Subject: **Paradise Regional Recreation Center Rebuild - Survey Data Update**

ISSUE:

Status update regarding Paradise Regional Recreation Center.

BACKGROUND:

District Staff received approval from the Amenity Authority Committee and the Village Center Community Development District during their August 2022 board meetings to begin the Capital Improvement Plan of a complete demolition and rebuild of a new up-to-date Paradise Regional Recreation Center.

Staff designed and developed, with AAC input, the Paradise Regional Recreation Survey. It was reviewed and presented at the September 2022 AAC meeting. In addition, the survey was made available online at DistrictGov.org and all recreation centers beginning October 3, 2022. Notices were also posted at respective media outlets and postal stations. The survey portion of this capital project concluded on October 28, 2022.

Staff has included a survey summary for the committee's review and comment. Staff will continue to compile the survey data and input along with the existing amenities to be considered during the discussion, design, and planning of the conceptual Capital Improvement Plan of Paradise Regional Recreation Center. This survey information, along with current utilization, participation, costs, available land, maintenance, and operational support, will be used as part of the planning process to help determine the recreation amenities that best meet the programming needs for a sustainable new center.

The Paradise Regional Recreation Center Capital Improvement Project continues to progress; staff will coordinate with the property management team, designers,

architects, and engineers for the next steps and timelines in the planning, designing, and permitting of this project, including additional public meetings to review the conceptual site plan. District Property Management anticipates developing and presenting conceptual plans based on resident and committee input and direction in February or March 2023. DPM will commence with detailed design development upon consensus and approval of conceptual plans.

Staff will continue communicating with the committee and the public via various media outlets and public meeting updates concerning recommendations and progress as this capital project comes to fruition.

RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends the AAC review and discusses this information.

MOTION:

ATTACHMENT:

Paradise Regional Recreation Center Survey Data

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Paradise Recreation Survey Report

Summary:

- Survey results collected October 3, 2022 through October 28, 2022
- Total Number of surveys completed: 1,294
- Total Number of Online Surveys (via Survey Monkey): 1,015
- Total Number of Hard Copy Surveys (Hand written): 279

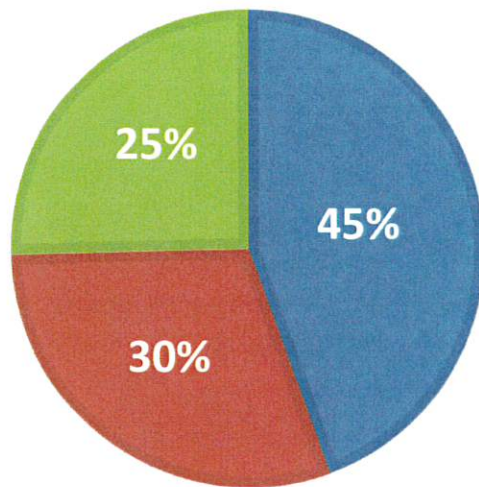
See attached survey results report for detail data.

OUR PURPOSE	OUR VISION	OUR MISSION
<i>To provide and preserve the lifestyle in The Villages, Florida's Friendliest Hometown.</i>	<i>The recreation team of staff and resident volunteers will be the leader in changing the concept of recreation activities in the retirement industry.</i>	<i>To create and implement excellent recreational opportunities that promote an active and healthy lifestyle.</i>

Prepared: November 2, 2022

INDOOR FACILITIES

■ Table Shuffleboard ■ Gaming Tables ■ Other (please specify)

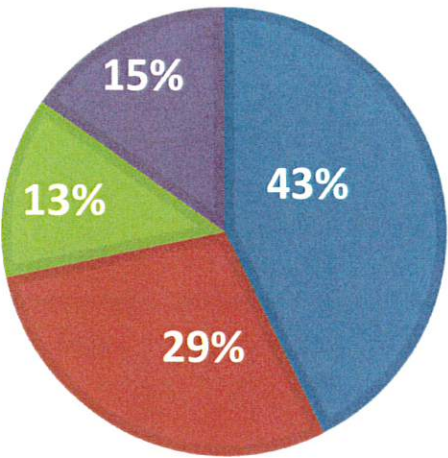


Other Facility Type	
Ping Pong/Table Tennis	166 *
Darts/Dart Baseball	77
Billiards	66
Fitness Club/Exercise/Gym	30
Storage, Pottery Items	27
Enlarge Library	28
Ceiling Fans	20
Arcade/Video games	17
Better Lighting/Sound	16
Gymnasium	11
Restrooms Larger/Accessible	10
Harold Schwartz Décor	10
Dance Studio	9
Computer Lab	7
Climbing Wall	2

* 102 hard copy surveys were presented at the Wednesday October 12, 2022 AAC Meeting requesting dedicated/permanent locations for table tennis

OUTDOOR FACILITIES

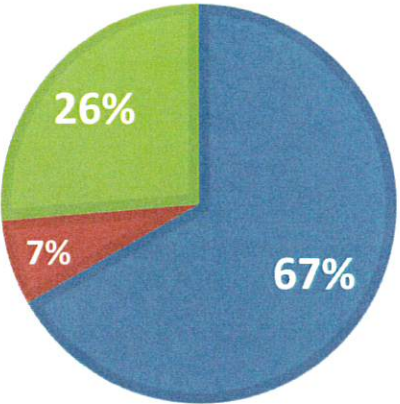
■ Corn Toss ■ Lawn Bowling/Croquet ■ Platform Tennis ■ Other (please specify)



Other Facility Type	
Putt & Play/ Pitch & Putt	48
Pickleball (additional)	44
Firepit	34
Snack Bar, Grille, Food Trucks	30
Sand Volleyball	16
Additional Handicap Parking	10
Save the Mature Oaks/ Keep Trees	

POOL TYPE

- Resort Style Pool (Ex: First Responders)
- Kidney Shaped Pool (Ex: Citrus Grove)
- Rectangular



Other Suggestions:	
Deep End	51
Shade	41
Zero Entry	25
Hot Tub	23
Lazy River	4

Feel free to add any additional enhancements you'd like to see occur during the renovations of the Paradise Regional Recreation Complex:

Not many changes needed I thought it was quite nice the way it was. OH! well I guess needed updating although the pool could be a little larger and more sun a lot of shade which is good also. Don't be spending excessive money if not required or needed.

Beverages, snack bar by pool

general purpose gym for indoor volleyball, badminton, basketball, and pickleball.

I would like to see a walking path where dogs are allowed

0 entry, lounge chairs with shade, First pool in Villages to have a lazy river and allow floating rafts - adults only

1) A fitness center would be lovely. The 2 closest are Mulbury and Laurel Manor. Each is more than 30 minutes by golf cart and 20 min. by car. 2) While

Paradise is being built, Why not utilize the La Reina building for the displaced activities at Paradise. Many people on the historic side do not drive cars,

but they will go as far as Spanish Springs by cart.

2 Craft Rooms, Better Sound System

A building (one) all on the same level.

A deep ended pool, as the pool is now. A family pool, as is now. I

A fire pit would be nice.

A fountain

A ground crew hired so the outside facilities look better. The bocce ball field is usually to dirt to play

A large room with plenty of window and lots of light and plenty of outlets

a large shallow area for the young visitors who are very young or can not swim.

A larger Mark Twain Library than we currently have. Also, generous shade areas around the pool, as many people are sun sensitive.

A pool big enough for water aerobics

A pool that will gradually gets deeper.

A Putt and Play. A Pitch and Putt. Another Edna's for Northenders to use.

A spa/hot tub at the pool. There are so many family pools in the area, it's time to make this adults only. Granted it's a pool, but there should be shade available in the sitting areas.

A stage for small performances

A this As this is the historic section of the villages, could a room be set aside to depict style and household equipment from a previous decade The room's display could rotate so that the items were "fresh".

Ability to stream meeting from large theatre to smaller rooms at the facility

Add a bar and grill. ie: Fenny

Add a corner with concrete seating for gathering, but being in the water

Add a gaming station like PlayStation or Stream not Xbox. It is so hard that for me beginner or learning crochet and quilting

Add facility-pointing signs at the street-to-village entrances. For example, near the Wales gate, a sign that points to the right and says "Dog park,

Archery". This should be done at all entrances to all villages for the nearby facilities.

Add shade structures to as many outdoor facilities as possible. Nobody wants to play during the sunny times which pushes everyone to play either in the morning or afternoon. There isn't enough room with everyone going at the same time.
additional walking trails.....putting green or better a pitch and putt.....what about a mini golf for non golfers....how about a walk in pool for folks who have mobility issues

Adequate storage for a 50 member glass fusion club

Again, Mark Twain library most valuable to the village community. For the number who use it on a daily basis just refer to just refer to the volunteers.
American style dart boards rather than english style. Many residents from the north east have always played on these boards it would be nice option. These boards can be viewed on 2 websites either American style board or Widdy Darts.

An adult pool that stays open late.

An indoor gym that is not associated with the schools. An indoor facility would be a valuable asset and could be used for volleyball and basketball. Players of these sports are very limited on playing in these sports due to having hours of the school gyms when their not in use by the schools.
Any of these pools would be fine. I think efficient, cost-wise, and functional with aid to handicapped would be great. .

Arts & Crafts could use LOCKABLE storage areas

As far as the Paradise Family Pool, it's fine the way it looks now, why waste money to rip it out and redo it. We really like the deeper depth of this pool, which others don't have. We like to be able to dive down to the bottom (not dive in, free diving, it helps with our scuba skills). We really like the water fall but they need keep it running til 11:00 pm and keep the lights working on it also. You also need to find a way to keep NON-Villages residents from using this pool. No one checks IDs so it's easy for anyone to enter the gate to the pool. We also think this is one of the most beautiful recreation centers in the Villages with the columns and the architecture. We would love to see it upgraded, not completely removed and rebuilt. It's all beautiful now, we don't want to see it rebuilt unless it's definitely going to be even nicer.

As long has a chair lift

As someone who teaches an aerobics class at Mulberry Grove rec center (Americana room with the stage) I would HIGHLY recommend ceiling fans. We do NOT have them and the room gets very warm when doing physical activities.

As you know, the Florida sun is hard on people and facilities. I have learned that you can dramatically extend the life of equipment and facilities by installing a roof. It also makes the facility more popular and useful for a nominal cost. I would like to see a roof installed over at least one pickle ball court as a test. The game of Pickleball does not usually require lobbing the ball very high because of the small court size. I believe it will be the most popular Court in The Villages.

Baseball Darts..

Basketball toss and darts like the ones in the First Responders center please.

Bathrooms at the pool could have more stalls, and separate changing rooms like a locker room and a counter by the sink area with a blow dryer and room to set a handbag or cosmetics for after swimming. Wish List: a hot tub/whirlpool either at Paradise or the new Cordoba to help replace the one lost at Hacienda Hills!

BBQ Grills Cabannas Ledge in pool to sit in water Cover tables to block sun and Rain

Because this is a family pool, the bigger the better. I love the current deep end as it keeps the water a little cooler. I would love to see something fantastic and unique at Paradise - maybe a lazy river. All ages would enjoy a relaxing float on a tube! Or a splash pad / spray park like this one (https://www.google.com/maps/uv?pb=!1s0x89b2d8533d25ede1%3A0x872342adda787180!3m1!7e115!4shhttps%3A%2F%2Fh5.googleusercontent.com%2Fp%2FAF1QipN_25OF2-uxNKZj-yhBOHw42uziudswSpTfoHVN%3Dw130-h87-n-k-no!5ssplash%20pad%20-%20Google%20Search!15sCglgAQ&imagekey=!1e10!2sAF1QipN_25OF2-uxNKZj-yhBOHw42uziudswSpTfoHVN&hl=en&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwj8y9Wd1vP6AhUIGikFHTpRDSkQ7ZgBKAF6BAgIEAM)

Being disabled and having to use a cane, I hope the entrance(s) will not be so far removed from the handicap parking spaces. I also hope that washrooms will have more than 1 handicap stall. I don't need the full large size room, but a stall with a higher toilet and a pull-up bar would suffice. I play cards at Pimlico and often there is a line for the one and only handicap stall. Also I like the fact that the current rec center has more than one entrance. The aesthetics at some rec centers make the walk from the parking lot difficult for me. Thank you for your considerations.

Benches by the lake. Garbage cans in Paradise Park. Update computers in library.

Better acoustics lighting and sound system

Better Lighting in parking lot

Better Lighting, electrical outlets, internet connection (quilt groups)

Better parking, with golf cart designated slots. Covered outdoor spaces with ceiling fans, for lounging and meeting with friends. Pottery wheels and kilns in craft area.

Better Sound System, soundproof walls, more pickleball courts

Billiards room

Bright Lighting in craft room, new audio, WiFi upgrades

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Build it like First Responders

Buildings less than 20 years old. Why replace them all? \$20 million cost is way too much! They may only need some renovations for a heck of a lot of less cost. How many years will the buildings be unusable while replacing everything??

Cabanas

Can 2 add more parking?

Can the pickleball courts be turned into tennis courts and the tennis courts into pickleball courts. Or just more pickleball courts

Ceiling Fans

Ceiling fans please

chip and putt course

Close Facility Wed Nite Euchre

Club storage/cupboards, better microphone system - clipon , Updated audio visual equipment, able to show slide show,smart board, floor plugs and pergula or something for shade.

complete waste of money, keep the original building, and referb it; the pool does need repairs, it should all be look at in a money saving way. the 20 million could be used in replacing the Hacienda restaurant and pool complex that is needed in Santa Demingo village, which doesn't have a pool. or a recenter; why doesn't Recreation Department; and DistrictGov look at something that would make it a little nicer for the originals on the other side of Could you put in a pool that is just a RIVER?? We saw this in another retirement community. It was used with tubes during certain hours (like in a resort), but the rest of the time it was used for walking against the current! Great exercise and MUCH more interesting than walking back and forth in a Courtyard pool enclosed on multiple sides by building like it is now. Circulation system to come out the sides of the pool.(Like Current One) Want all big mature oaks trees saved.

Courtyard style pool w/deep end

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Craft room storage for club supplies

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Dart baseball would require cork wall covering, dart baseball group could supply floor protective covering. Coffee Bar

Decor: relaxing pale coastal colors. Outdoor covered tables/seating area. Flower garden for birds/butterflies.

Decorate throughout in an attractive theme. Something like a beach theme. Or Florida's marshlands with all its wildlife. Paint the signs at the pool in larger letters so the rules are more clear. Better supervision at the pool by the recreation department. Check the IDs more often. Enforced policies.

More shade at the pool.

Dedicate a room to Mr. Schwartz

Deep Pool at least 6ft

Deep pool for synchronized swimmers!

Deep Water Pool

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Deep Water Pool, Keep Library Cozy

Deep Water Pool, Storage for club supplies

Design so that children can play in shallower water while adults can swim and/or exercise in deeper water.

Disability lift

Dog Parks: Grass, shaded areas Rec center: I belong to a large club using Paradise and also play bingo. Must make sure that there is a room that can accompany 50 to 200 people.

Don't forget to offer a larger facility for the Mark Twain Library with seating area .

Drink station water , soda , juice , coffees

Enhance Mark Twain

Enjoy having library in same location and facility would need adequate parking.

Enlarge Library, Deep Pool

Enlargement of Mark Twain Library

Enough lounge chairs and tables with shade

Enough storage inside so that tables do not need to be stored in an outside shed.

Even though I chose resort style pool, I'd like to see a pool that is deeper than first responders.

Expand and update Mark Twain Library

Expand gaming center with a variety of video and interactive team games

Expand the arts/craft space. Add table/work space, multiple sinks, counter space, kiln room and storage space for each of the craft clubs' supplies and equipment.

Expanded glass fusion area or another class to accommodate more participants. It practically takes someone to die in order to get a spot in the class.

Like to have a pottery classes in addition to ceramics. Need something more here than painting green ware. Finally, had been hoping that there would be a home for the gem and mineral group in the North.

expansion of Mark Twain library with access to the latest books

Extended nature walking trail

Family Pool at least 6 feet deep - More pickleball courts

FANS IN THE EXERCISE ROOMS, PLEASE!!!

Fire Pit

Fire pit

Fire pit with benches

Firepit, grill

Firepit, soda machines??

Fitness Club

Floating driving range practice facility. No where to practice North of Glenview.

Food and Drinks

Foosball Tables

For an ADULTS ONLY pool The Villages needs a walk in entry pool not to exceed 4 ft. In depth to accommodate all the exercise and physical therapy residents. I am not suggesting that concept for the Paradise Family Pool renovation.

Frankly, you folks always seem to update is just the loveliest ways you can find possible, for every given area you take on.

glad to know you'r keeping the Mark Twain Library

Glass Fusion needs 2 kilns Better storage for crafting ie glass fusion, ceramics etc..

Glass kilns. Glass Fusion is really popular. Hard to get in clubs.

Golf practice range with sand traps and floating golf ball driving range.

Great job with all the rec facilities. The people purchasing home now have different interests with retirees from earlier times. The Villages have done a good job with recognizing this.

Gym for indoor volleyball

Handicap Access Pool & Building, 2 more computers in the library

Haven't seen either the first responders or citrus grove. Fennel is nice. Orange blossom cc is great!

Having a snack shack/old fashioned ice cream bar by the resort style pool would be great.

Having a stage and acoustics suitable for a jazz performance is important. I always enjoyed attending the jazz club events in the building. A large lanai or screened porch (like Fenney) overlooking the beautiful lake area would be wonderful. How special it would be to have a place where you could bring a book and take in the views! A small retail area for a cafe, would make it even nicer.

Healthy Snack Bar

Hello: If we can have higher chaise lounge chairs for the older group who need a little higher boost with getting out.

High ceilings or something to absorb the noise in a full, large card room. More restrooms.

High rise toilets, low ones are difficult for many

Hopefully the Mark Twain Library continues to have a separate entrance.

Hot tub

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Hot tub Magnetic entry keys or card access for residents and guests to access the pool area. Too many people there coming from outside the villages.

Hot Tub Zero entry pool

Hot tub is a must! Would also love a resort style pool - possible with a slow grade walk in.

Hot tub or tubs like at Southside. More tables & chairs or chaise lounges. Shade areas More parking and handicapped parking. Bigger area for Mark Twain library. More modern, not like the feel of an old reused building.

Hot Tub Please

Hot tub would be nice

Hot Tub!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Hot tub/jacuzzi

Hot Tubs please!

How about a lazy River! No where in TV is one!

How about something different like a lazy river vs another pool? I've heard many villagers commenting on how fun a lazy river would be (need to allow inner tubes for floating down the river). I think this would be a very popular attraction. Also as a regional rec center a sports pool is needed. Much ad I live resort style pools a rectangular pool is best for organized activities like Wvb, water aerobics etc. if the pool will be open until 11 having games or classes under the lights will be popular.

I am a founder member of The Villages Gem & Mineral Society (2009). It is a very active group at Seabreeze. The biggest problem has always been a serious lack of safe storage for machines and members' products. Also by limiting access to our \$30,000 - \$40,000 investment in equipment to only 2 days (Thursday evening and Sunday morning) is such a shame as we need to set up time-tables limiting access for usage. We need more time available for this kind of activity and more space to store the equipment. We now have 2 Woodworking Centers open 7 days a week and rarely is there a need to 'ration' access to machines - in fact they are generally underused.....even when there was only one Center.

I am copying James W's original post HIS sentiments parallel my own. For those who enjoy the paradise pool as it is rebuild the recreation center with a courtyard pool like it is today where either buildings or fauna enclose the pool providing shade for those in the pool during certain hours of the morning rescann cancer prevention and wind prevent protection during the cooler months. Also keep the rectangular pool like we have and have it as a deep water pool for the reasons in regard to the circulation of the water for the heat and finally save the oaks save the oaks. If the pool is put where the shuffleboard courts courts are those trees will have to be removed so please please please do not do that and keep it as it is thank you. **SAVE THE OAKS**
KEEP THE POOL PROTECTED RE SHADE /SUN AS IT IS NOW. ALSO DEEP WATER POOL SAVE THE OAKS

I am hoping that the dog park will be greatly improved over the existing one, which is mostly sand and full of fleas & ants; dogs need to be washed every time we go..

I cannot believe you are not listing a Fitness Center for this new facility. No close Rec Center is available. I spoke with my wife and she agrees as well. I did not check any of the pool types because I want the pool to remain the same.

I have enjoyed playing baseball darts twice a week for five years now and would hope that this program will be continued forward. It is one of the few programs that allows for people in their 80's and 90's to enjoy a type of physical activity with others as well as enjoying in on the laughter that we all have twice a week.

I have no doubts that you guys will make it as magnificent as the others that you have recently completed. Thank you for all that you do!

I hope this doesn't affect the monthly amenity fee that we pay. In this day and age we hope something stays the same.

I know space is limited but how about a pitch n putt area?

I like the idea of having the pool with a graduated entrance. It's nice to be able to lay in a little bit of water to stay cool.

I like the pool they have there

I love the L-shape at Paradise pool. The placement of the jets also gives a great spa feeling without the yucky hot tub. This allows for walkers AND swimmers all at the same time without one interfering with the other as happens with most other pools. Sometimes things can get a little "cranky" in these situations. I know there are pools for lap swimmers but some don't want to (or can't) use them, because they are non-resident or too young) so everyone ends up on top of one another fighting for their personal space and this leads to @#\$%. Not a good way to start a day. This is totally avoided by the L-shape and roping off as at Paradise Pool. I also would hope none of those beautiful native trees with the moss are to be removed for whatever reason. That would be a sin. I fear that to accommodate a pool closer to the lake and to avoid leaves/pollen in the pool, the trees will be a problem and when the Rec Center buildings are combined, there will be no more protection against the trash without getting rid of the trees. Is there another solution? I am also not looking forward to sharing a pool with wandering crocs or flying golf balls away from protection of the Rec Center area. First Responders has a Resort style. Let Paradise have its L-shape back. I also love the Mark Twain Library and love to see the patrons ooooooh and aaaaaah when they come in (Yes. I am a volunteer - 3 shifts). Hoping not much will change on this front. We like the non-techy part of it. It is the charm of the place that makes it so special and welcoming. The patrons and volunteers love it. Also love the exercise equipment on the walking path. Dont want to

I loved the old pool there because of its depth and I could actually swim in it and not deal with the constant walkers and kids hitting you all the time, in the pool. Walkers should be made to use the sports pools as their depth is so low. It was quite a serene pool and the meditative/healing properties of it were the greatest part about it. More healing, less rambunctious activities. Some of us Villagers are healing from major illnesses or accidents. None of the activities here focus on this group of people.

I really like the pool we have now - it has a good mix of depths - and our visitors love it too; a similar pool would be great. The Rec Center has many lovely established trees - I hope we won't lose them to the construction. The Arts and Craft room is seriously short on storage space - may more space be factored into the new design please.

I think it would be fabulous if the rec center utilized the Lake view and maybe put in outside seating with a deck facing the lake

I think it's important to keep this available to families. Hacienda is close enough for a sports pool.

I use the Mark Twain library and have used it for over 20 years. I'd like to see it included in the new facility and enhanced with a more workable floor layout. No steps to access certain sections. Everything on one level.

I wish to see a least the same size pool, keeping deep end. Also keeping it rectangular so you can actually swim in it!

I would like a pool that is a zero entry. Also a snack bar like they used to have at some pools. Sad the powers that be are taking away one of the deepest pools to put in a resort style pool.

I would like one of the rooms to hold more people. 500 would be nice. Some of the rooms in the rec centers hold 300 people with little room between chairs and tables. I would love to see updates to Mark Twain Library but keep the charm that it is now. The charm of Paradise Is what the historic side is all about. Please try and keep that charm. Thank you

I would like screened outdoor porch style seating looking out towards the lake. Like the back porch at Fenney Rec center.

I would like to see a more contemporary or modern Rec facility that is similar to First Responders

I would like to see a swim up bar like in resorts.

I would like to see a zero entry pool

I would like to see Dart Baseball continue. The darts do sometimes hit the wall, floor etc. Perhaps the wall behind where the targets go could be made of cork or a similar substance to lessen the damage. Dart Baseball is very popular and I would love to see it continue in the renovated facility.

I would like to see something like it was before. Having a snack bar, vending machines, also a bit larger ladies room/changing room with a bench to help change from suit to clothes and change the small kids clothes too.

I would like to see the DART BASEBALL stay at the Paradise rec center. It is an enjoyable sport for people of all ages and with people with disabilities. We have a large group that plays twice a week, it includes people on walkers, wheelchairs and other players well into their 90's. It is a great way for these people to get out to socialize and get a bit of exercise. Please consider keeping a room open for this sport. Thank you

I would like to see the new recreation center represent everything to do with Mr. Harold Schwartz who founded this great community we are so lucky to live in and enjoy.

I would like to see updated computers in the Library

I would love to see some shade over some of the pool.

I'd like to see a gradual walk in area in the pool similar to fenny

I'd like to see a pool with a deep end & zero entry

I'm currently a member of the Paradise Glass Fusion Group. I would like to see our meeting area enlarged with a bigger kiln room that would house two kilns and have more storage space for molds, glass, tools, etc. I'd also like to know where we will be meeting during the construction phase. Our club has been together for almost 10 years and we would like to be able to continue to meet and create while the new Rec Center is being built.

I'm just really glad the Mark Twain library will still exist.

If you're going to re-invent the pool .. a slide, waterfalls would be nice. Similar to Orange Blossom.

Im satisfied with it. Thanks

Improve sound system.

Improved audio system in theatre.

In the pool area (not connected to main pool), a small wadding area with sprinklers for small kids.

Indoor corn toss baseball

Indoor pickleball would be the best, but, at a minimum, please put some shade structure along the length of one side of the court where people line up and wait to play. (This should be done at all of the RRC's as well.)

Indoor Pool

Indoor pool or half indoor heated half out. This for older people who cannot tolerate the cold or cool water, but need the exercise. Hot tub

Indoor volleyball

Indoor volleyball would be great. We need more courts. The interest is huge and we don't have enough court.

Indoor volleyball/basketball

Indoor walking track- could be on the 2nd floor above the theater stage room. Please put the pavilion away from the pickleball courts or where the noise is too much. We would love to have more dance studios in The Villages with more mirrors.

It is time for this to happen! We deserve this and it is desperately needed!

It was disappointing, not to see "Courtyard Pool" in the options for the pool. The current Paradise Pool is a great example of a beautiful courtyard pool. Enclosed by either buildings or shrubbery, it provides an oasis of shade for those in the pool at various times of the day, and it blocks off the cold winter winds, that allow for extra usable pool days, when Resort or Kidney Pools that are left in the open, provide no protection from the unblocked cold winter winds. Another feature of our current Courtyard Pool, is that our circulation system (and heating jets) come out of the side of the pool, instead of the bottom. The circulation jets provide more efficiency in providing heat throughout the pool, as we enter these colder fall, winter and spring months. The current Paradise Pool is also the only deep pool remaining in The Villages. This is a feature that is appreciated by morning swimmers, and afternoon grandkids, who like to jump into the pool. We need to continue the legacy of our Paradise Pool, and surround it with building (if we have to a single building design) and fauna. It will make it unique and the treasure that it is today. Another big concern is the loss, and threat of loss, of many mature oak trees on the east and northeast side of the property. If a pool is placed in the back where the shuffleboard courts are currently located, the leaves of these mighty oaks would be a constant problem for pool maintenance. As a result, they will probably be eliminated. So many people enjoy the shade and beauty that these trees provide. During COVID many a group who had their programs and clubs cancelled, met under these trees, especially during the summer months, as in some cases, they still do today. Paradise Pool and the mighty oaks in back, are what make Paradise Recreation Center special. Turning them into a parking lot, open air, Resort or Kidney pools would be a setback for our Historic Side of The Villages. But that seems to be the trend, with the dismantling of our Spanish Spring Town Square, and Rialto Theater, along with the closing of Katie Belle's and the Hacienda Country Club. Like I said, at the beginning, it was disappointing to see that a Courtyard Pool wasn't even an option in this survey. Like everything else, we all know that this whole project is already decided. This is a \$20 million investment, that nobody is excited about, only fearing what it would be great to have 12 shuffleboard covers so the villages could host tournaments. Library: more shelves and 2 more computers. It would be fantastic to have a pottery area at Paradise Rec Center. The addition of potters' wheels and a slab roller would be well used! It would be nice if the ladders in the pools were longer, reaching further toward the bottom. It is difficult for the elderly to raise their legs up to the existing rungs.

It would be nice to have a zero entry pool such as at Fenney

It would be nice to keep the pool in the middle of the building. That is always really great on windy days, especially as open as that area is. Also like it is a deep pool.

Jacuzzi

Just a nice updated facility that is similar to others throughout the Villages.

Just a regular pool like south side with a hot tub

Just keep the library! That's just a hidden gem.

Just please make sure that the Mark Twain Library survives unscathed.

Keep Hardwood Floors, Larger Bathrooms

Keep the old pool. Grand kids older than 6 enjoyed the deeper end for bottom diving, jumping in and swimming in deeper areas

Keep the pool area like the courtyard area it is now so there is a sun area as well as a shade area. Some people have to stay out of the sun. Keep our beautiful trees. They make a lovely picnic area. We don't want our area to look like a parking lot.

Keeping with the Paradise theme a waterfall in the pool and a walk-in slope with shaded areas. A few game machines around or a small room with them all in one place. Adult swings or hammocks

Kids park adjacent to area

Kitchen so that families/ friends/neighborhood groups could heat food to share, make coffee etc. Wii game!

Lap pool would be great for exercise:))

Large glass fusion storage

LARGE patio pool area with overhead covering.

Large windows for natural light.

Larger Kiln area for storage

Larger kiln room and storage for material used with the kiln in th kiln room. Storage like the First Responders outside the kiln room in the craft room.

Larger meeting room

Leave the pool as it is.

Like the pool design as it is with deep end and smaller stairs that take up less space and don't have small kids playing on them that make it difficult for less mobile residents to enter and exit. Deep end is also a safe place to exercise away from non swimmer children.

like to see community bulletin board back inside building

Like to see continued lighting on the shuffleboard courts for evening play. Craft room that has pottery storage, kiln, slab roller, 2 throwing wheels.

Liked the depth of the old pool compared to all others. Will this new one be the standard 6 feet deep or something more than that?

Look as special as the new places on the south side.

Lots of Handicap Parking/Bathrooms

Lots of shelves and cupboards for craft room- glass fusion

Maintain hot tub and add food and beverage service like at Orange Blossom. Add a tiki bar like Orange Blossom used to have. Also, please, please add a playground for grandchildren. The one at Sumter gets very packed and grandchildren would love some variation, especially if near a pool.

Maintain the same architectural and aesthetic design as the original.

Make sure and keep the pool room

Make sure the "deep end" is at least 6ft for older kids to jump and swim in. Also it would be nice if the construction only impacted one winter season for us snow birds.

Make sure the facility has an open and airy feeling (lots of natural light)...like many of the new recreational centers have.

Make sure there are areas of shade at the pool and have it have at least 5 ft in places.

Make the entire area look like a fancy resort.

Make the surroundings, outside a place where people can enjoy the facility without participating in any functions.

Mark Twain Library - more visible & user friendly; one large room not multi-levels

Mirrors for dance and twirling practice

Modernize decor

More comfortable furniture and chairs.

More computers, Handicapped Accesible and more shelving in library

More computers, more pickleball courts

More easy access benches under the trees overlooking the water off the parking lot by Mark Twain Library.

More exercise equipment indoor or out

More Handicap Parking

More indoor exercise activities, zumba, line dancing ,aerobics. additional arts & crafts, rock painting etc

more outdoor restrooms

More outlets for pot lucks and parties. Handicapped accessibility. Comfortable chairs that are a bit higher up so we can get up and out of them . Extra pool noodles and work out equipment for the pool for Adults to use only. A gate to scan I'd,s as you enter the pool are for Residents and also guests to prevent people from entering that shouldn't be there.

More Pickleball Courts

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More pickleball courts at least 6. Coffee Bar

More Pickleball Cts - I tried to fill out online but never got confirmation of submission, so this may be a duplicate.

More pools should have food, bars available and should be open after sunset.

More shade areas. Maybe large colorful shade tarps that could be moved as needed.

More shelving in library

More shelving in library, larger restrooms - more stalls

More shelving in the library and 2 more computers

More space for Mark Twain Library

morning free coffee indoor shufflebd courts - 4 or 8

Most important is the Mark Twain library.

My biggest concern with this renovation is that you will take down ANY of the magnificent old oak trees that are there now. Please do not do this! They are what have made Paradise rec center my favorite of all the rec centers all these years. (I've lived here for 23 years). THANK YOU.

My wife and I have lived in The Village of Glenbrook for 18 years and when our Grandchildren would visit, they always wanted to go over to the "Midnight" pool, as they would call the Paradise pool, because it remained open late and the pool was deeper on one end than other pools in our area such as the Chatham, Pimlico or El Santiago family pools. We would love for the Paradise pool to remain as is; however, we are not residents in that area and the "locals" may want a change. Great memories at the Paradise pool.

Need additional space/shelving for glass fusion. Larger kiln room and another kiln.

Need to add a history of the villages. I know Rohan has something like this but The Historic side is where the Villages began.

need to keep the pool for family (with guests) and rectangular so folks can do laps and exercising do not see a need to tear down the building - structurally sound - just upgrade the electrical and bathrooms and maybe interior design

Need to put more areas that provide shade from the sun (with roofs) or pavilion style with tables and chairs. All of the newer rec centers with pools do not provide enough roofed areas for shade, the pergolas look nice but just do not provide enough shade from the sun. An older community needs complete shaded areas to be able to sit down and get out of the sun to cool down for awhile. Add the bench seating in the resort style pool like they have in the cattail pool with a 5' deep part of the pool and not just only 3' & 4' areas in the pool.

needs to be able to walk as most of us are not into swimming long distances or periods of time. The ability to walk in shallow and deeper depths across the pool is perfect. Also consider the step height at the top and the bottom. Some pools have a very deep depth for the last or first step depending on weather going in or coming out.

New and updated outdoor exercise equipment.

Newer outdoor exercise equipment. Maybe a second area for that

No additional enhancements.. just happy that the North end is finally getting some attention.

No need to tear down center too many things will be missed and with the time it will take to rebuild is just crazy!!

None of us knew what gaming tables are. guesses were for playing cards or for gambling . we're old!!!

Not only rectangular, but a Courtyard Pool, like the current pool, with buildings and fauna on all sides. This blocks the wind during the cold months and provides shade IN the pool area during morning or evening hours of the hot summer months,, which provide protection from cancer causing sun rays. The current circulation system of jets on side of pool, instead of bottom of pool, which provides more efficient heat distribution in water. SAVE our mature oak trees. Placement of pool in the shuffleboard area jeopardize almost a dozen of these trees, as they would need to be removed because leaves would be falling in the pool. Shade provided by these magnificent trees are appreciated and used by patrons of the park all day long. Many clubs met under these trees during covid and continue to do today. We also want to keep the only deep water pool in all The Villages. Morning swimmers use the deep end, while water walkers use the shallow end. Visiting families love the deeper waters so they can swim and jump into the pool. We have a hidden gem in our Courtyard pool at Paradise. It would be another travesty, like the lost Rialto, Hacienda C.C. and Katie Belles. Please don't take away another treasure and identity of what makes The Historic Side special!

Not only rectangular, but also a Courtyard Pool, with either buildings or fauna on all sides to block the cold winter winds and protection in the pool from harmful and hot summer rays from the sun. A working sound system would be nice, and a circulation system with jets on the side of the pool, instead of the pool floor. We want to keep our deep water pool for morning pool exercises and when the families come out in the afternoon, the ability to swim and jump into the pool. Save our beautiful mature oak trees that provide shade, habitat for wildlife, and peaceful aesthetics in a park like setting. Many people walk and enjoy the oasis that these giant trees provide. Placement of pool where shuffleboard courts are now, jeopardize the most majestic of these trees, as fallen leaves will not be tolerated in the pool.

Not so gloomy. Lighten, brighten. Choose light woods or more windows. Tired of the men's pool house feel. Something cheery. Thanks.

NOTE: I'm not sure if I already filled this out online but just in case I failed to do it, I'm filling this survey: Please - the Villages lack a permanent place to play table tennis. We need a dedicated place such as is provided for billiards. Thanks, Denise Poston

Nothing else to add at this time.

Offer and have available "drown proofing your child" courses and videos Put up bulletin board in pool area for people to post pictures, share recipes, post notices of events visitors might be aware of

Office to pick up guest passes easier to access

One or two more Pickleball Courts. And two Pickleball Courts at Silver Lake. Thank You.

Open up Katie Belles, Open Movie Theatre

Our area has many 'younger' (65?) who live here!! How about catering to us so we don't have to go to other sections of TV

Our pool is very unique. Please keep this area the same the trees are very important this is what makes our name..Paradise we are not a cookie cutter village and I live in silver lake. Please just clean things up.Fix the pumps and call it good. Our areas are so beautiful every one works so hard to keep it
Outdoor exercise equipment needs to be shaded or covered for the sun Small indoor snack cafe which also sells Village Grown items Air gun shooting
Outdoor hot tub

Outdoor lighting for shuffleboard courtship

Outdoor patio area with picnic tables

Outdoor Patio area with picnic tables, Healthy Snack Bar

Outside seating for cards including overhead protection.

Outside snack bar area. Fire pit

paddle fans on all lights in card room card room capacity greater than 96 people refrigeration and heating for food when doing parties

Palm trees by the pool for shade in the pool or a sun shade over part of the pool. Zero entry. Not metal lounge chairs that are very hot in the summer.

Thank you

PARADISE ACTUALLY WORKS VERY WELL AS IS. RENOVATIONS AHOULD TAKE THIS INTO CONSIDERATION.

Paradise is where it all began and the area around it is denoted as the historic district. Therefore should the theme be about the history of the Villages?

Are there pictures of the "blue tent" that I heard served as the first red center? Are there pictures of people at the old restaurant where Silver Lake Rec

Center now sits? Who was Boone and Tarrson? What came first the big bridge or Spanish Springs? Let us celebrate and demonstrate the origins that

Mr. Schwartz created. What foresight and adventure he must have had, along with his greetings and partners.

Patio area overlooking lake, office in front

Perhaps a flat screen TV in the lobby tuned to the Weather Channel or Bloomberg (Fox?) Business News.

Photo gallery of what the historic side used to look like.

Pickleball with roof. To play in rain or indoors. Unique.

Ping pong tables More picnic tables

Piped in music at the pool, snack bar by pool

Pitch nd putt

Please add a Jacuzzi!!

Please be sure to allow for adequate and accessible restrooms! Paradise is a very important gathering place for residents living on the historic side! We deserve to have a large facility and amenities that will meet resident needs for many years to come!!

Please have at least as much shade area by pool as currently offered. The overhang roofline is wonderful.

Please have one end of pool 7 feet deep

Please have one end of pool 7 feet deep, hot shower at pool

Please include ceiling fans in all of the rooms.

Please install flooring in the theater area that is safer for dancers. The kind that is recommended was talked about in a special meeting which was held several years ago. John Rohan was in attendance. Over the years there have been many falls resulting in injuries including broken bones, bad sprains, etc. As long as musicals are produced in The Villages, rehearsals will include all types of dancing, including tap dancing. We have also had falls from non-dancing people because of slick floors. Hoping that we can look forward to a more dancer-friendly flooring in the new Paradise Recreation Center. Please keep its historical decor. It fits in with the area. We love living on this side and the pool and center needs represent its historical presence

Please keep most floors hard

Please keep the "Spanish style" feel throughout the décor, with archways and iron work and other flourishes that express that Spanish flavor. Thank you!

Please keep the library and large recreation/social/multi-purpose/ meeting rooms.

Please keep the pool as is. Children like the 8 ft pool

Please keep the pool as similar to the one we have now, as possible. It is a perfect pool for both swimmers and walkers. It is deep enough to do deep water aerobics. Also, this pool is shaded at different times of the day. If possible, please configure the new pool so that it has shaded areas, too. Thanks

Please keep the pool for families.

Please make the Mark Twain Library larger.

Please make whatever shape pool you build deep enough to do vertical exercises in the water. Over 6 feet deep. Your other pools in the Villages are TOO shallow.

Please put in floor outlets in 2 large rooms. Rectangular pool with drop off entrance

Please put in good lighting for activities like sewing. Also lots of outlets

Please try to keep the intimate "jazz" scale for any theater/stage you renovate. The current stage is a perfect venue for the jazz lovers concerts and its unique in The Villages among all the other large scale stages, like Seabreeze. Please don't turn it into yet another large stage/theater.

Pleased to see that the pool will remain open till 11 pm but would like to see some consideration for a deep pool for diving as is currently the status.

Plenty of bike racks to accommodate the larger tires of e-bicycles and for ease of using a chain lock.

Plenty of storage space for storage of weekly used items for Quilting Guild.

Plenty of wall/floor electrical outlets in the craft room

Pool 4-6ft, definitely a deep end

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Pool 8ft deep

Pool configuration including depth and size should remain as close to the existing one as possible. Retain trees (especially live oaks) that provide some shade in the pool and beautify the area). Reconsider fire pit - this is a family pool with children playing and potential for injury could be greater. Do we need the cost of maintaining a fire pit and the risk of accidents & lawsuits?

Pool should have a deep end of 6-10 ft.

Pool tables

Pool to have 0 step entrance like Fenny recreation center.

Pool with a deep end and a walk in end like it is now.

Proposal for a Mark Twain Mini Library - Take A Book, Leave A Book The Mark Twain Library is a valuable and highly prized resource in our community. During the time of the reconstruction of the Paradise Recreation Center, the Mark Twain Library will be the only entity currently housed that cannot be temporarily moved to another location. Our patrons have already begun asking how they can continue to find the books they love during this time. To help fill this need, I propose the establishment of a Mark Twain Mini Library in each Regional Recreation Center. Each Mini Library will consist of as much room each Regional Recreation Center can support. A single bookcase, a single shelf on a table, or a library cart on wheels are all possibilities. A sign will be nearby explaining the Mini Library policy of Take A Book, Leave A Book, as well as contact information for the librarians. Each book will also have a bookmark with the Take A Book, Leave A Book explanation. All books will be donations. The books will not be entered into the Mark Twain Library records. Patrons of the Mini Library will be free to take any book which interests them. Each Mini Library will be staffed by two or more librarians who will come to the Recreation Center several times a week to be sure the area is tidy and well stocked. No extra work will be required of the

Putt and play golf
Putt and Play golf course. Also if possible, a walking path in the pool for "walking exercise." Sun City, AZ, has great examples.

Putting area

Putting course around the lake. Or maybe a beach patio area.

Recommend 50 meter lap pool (50 meter length). Have one pool or maybe more for serious swimmers

Recommend a Sports pool. The North Sport Pools are over scheduled. (WVB, exercise classes, vast, syncro, highschool, etc) There is not enough lap lanes available for the demand as lap swimming can only be done in Sport pools. Please have this as a Sport pool. With First Responders and Phillips as new Family pools, we need another Sport pool north of 466. Maybe a pool dedicated to lap lanes all the time. So anytime of the day 'residents' could go swim. ((Or dedicated pool for WVB or water aerobics, which would mean nets could stay up all the time, or no lanes in pool for water aerobics) This would then free up a few more hours at the Sports pools for lap lanes.) The residents are paying for the facilities and the demand for lanes has increased. We are exceeding capacity in the morning. Please take into consideration. Thank you!

Recreational items incorporating the pond to include a covered area with tables and a fire pit area A walking path completely around the pond - completed Tuesday - October 4, 2022

Rectangular offers the most use for families or for lap swimming when the sports pools are full.

Reduce number of tennis courts and add additional Pickleball courts.

Replace plantings with Florida native plants to reduce water consumption and demonstrate how attractively they can be.

Residues and guests only. Have attendant to check ID'S. Enforce the rules when we all bought into this development.

Resort style pool that you can walk into is a great idea for the older residents on the historic side. Looking forward to seeing the proposed plans.

Responders pool is Beautiful Keep up the good work

thanks! Qad

Restaurant (especially breakfast) or snack shop; maybe rotating food trucks

Retain Mark Twain Library/add computers

Retain Mark Twain Library

Rifle, pistol ranges, or at least airgun ranges.

Sailing model boats on the lake.

Salt Water Pool

Same style of pool

See

Separate room for table tennis, Go-Karts, Zip Lines

Sewing room with natural light; High Rise Toilets

Shade for outdoor courts!

Shade in the pool area and hot showers. How about a nautical theme in the rec center?

Shade over part of the pool

Shaded areas around the pool

Shaded picnic tables, Indoor Pool- Fax, Copy machines and paper cutters, hole punchers (Business Center) - Provide sewing and embroidery machines

Shuffleboard: Not in the room where games and cards are played.....too disturbing for those playing those table games. shuffleboard is not a quiet game, we do talk when shots are made, laugh at some of the shots, and complains (LOL) when shots are missed.

Simple, built in charcoal grills by the pavilion(s). Looking forward to seeing the renovated Rec Center! Thank you!

Since Paradise is a regional rec center, I would like an inside gym like Mulberry has.

Since this is a family pool, the young people like to have a "deep end"

Since this is the first rec center of the villages it would be nice to have something unique to show the success of this community. I hope the design and decor is light and bright and welcoming.

Since this is the historical side, I think it would be nice if there was information and pictures about the original residence. There may be some still alive that could tell you stories and share pictures with you.

snack bar

Something like Edna's down south.

Sports pool

stage for talent events , etc. designated space for food trucks green space with picnic tables like there is now

Storage for Arts & Crafts room

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Storage for Arts & Crafts room, Kiln for ceramics

Storage for glass fusion molds and equipment, larger kiln room to store kiln related equipment

Storage for Quilters

Storage room for clubs to house items they need for their club. An example is for percussion for Bands of The Villages.

Storage-Arts & Crafts room

Sun shade at pool

Sure would be nice to have one indoor pool in The Villages. If not, would rather have villagers only sports pool.

Swimming pool could use steps or a ramp into the pool water in addition to the deeper need ladders.

tables with umbrellas

Take better care of dog park, longer hose

Thank you for updating our Paradise Rec. Center! Suggest placing a sports pool at Silver Lake. So we would have not need to cross the bridge to go to a sports pool. We hear many older folks do not like to cross over the bridge to participate in sports pool activities. Thank you!

The addition of a sports pool on this side of 27/441, maybe at Silver Lake Recreation, Kelsea Park or the parcel near the corner of East Schwartz Blvd and ST Andrews Blvd.

The basic rectangle layout of current pool at Paradise is ideal for residents and their guests, particularly with small children - there is a good area for children and good area for adults. A Kidney resort pool, albeit pretty, would be less functional for really swimming and children and family play. Thank you for your consideration.

The biggest drawback to TV compared to other retirement communities is the lack of a truly resort style pool. The trade off is a lot of ho-hum, no big deal pools to get you wet and a lot of golfing. Obviously, we chose TV and after all these years continue to choose it. But every time we visited friends with "luxury" pools we thought about it. And when we enthusiastically show friends the squares, golf courses, etc., we avoid showing any pools except Orange Blossom. We did join and use the Hacienda CC pool for a year. It had a tiki bar and food could be ordered, but it was NOT luxurious and not worth the extra money. Pools in TV make this a good retirement for the masses of people on lower fixed retirements. But we find it a hard sell for upper middle class friends. Just one TRULY resort pool would do so much to raise the image of TV and contribute to the enjoyment of so many people.

The building is structurally sound therefore I don't see the need to replace it, just renovate.

The current Paradise pool is unique in The Villages. Please don't change its format. Also, Please keep the pool operating hours. "If it ain't broke don't The First Responders had inside basket ball shooting, I would love that.

The library MUST be kept!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I see that it is and it MUST stay in its present operational form. It should NOT become and adjunct to a county system with it's onerous rules and conditions. Don't mess with success.

The most desirable aspect of the existing pool is the very wide steps. They provide a place for very young children to play without going over their head The outdoor amenities are the ones listed in addition to those that are in close proximity to the current Paradise Recreation Center? If so I see no reason to duplicate them and spend additional funds.

The pool at the first responders recreation center is a joke! Who likes looking at a concrete wall? The AAC spent 8 million dollars to provide golf cart access to Soulliere Villas, you think they would have least provide a family pool with a view! Don't make the same mistake again.

The pool should be at least 6-8 feet deep on deep end of the pool

The pre-set bridge card rooms are an excellent idea.

The table shuffleboard needs to be a quality table and set up by a professional. The tables at First Responder are not level nor are they high quality. Tierra and Eisenhower shuffleboard tables Are quality. Also the outdoor shuffleboard courts should have permanent shade structures covering them and not like Chula Vista using awning coverings that rot and take months to replace.

Theater to accommodate 400 people. Two spotlights (LED) and 3 rows of overhead stage lights. Stage dressing rooms and Green room. Stage access from left and right side, not blocked by elevator. A stage elevator from below. Two story flyOloft for scenery. A control booth at the rear for sound and stage lighting. Video camera mounted left right and center.

Theme Theme bathrooms i.e. nautical/island/retro/ Hollywood/regal

Themes suggestions - #1 tribute to Harold Schwartz our founding father, #2 Florida/Lake County/Mount Dora railroad history, #3 Spanish theme (ie: Saint Augustine, FL) since it's close to Spanish Springs Square.

There are almost 100 members of the RC Car Club and the only track is at Everglades. Down there people stop and watch the races, and we could have more participants but Everglades is too far. Let us offer this lifelong activity in the north as well as the south. They have an oval and a VERY short drag strip. Maybe we have an oval or a road course, but why not offer a 100-120' dragstrip.

There are no places in The Villages to hold indoor events that hold 500-600 people dining or dancing. Example Military Ball, New Years Eve party etc. dancing is a very important part of Village lifestyle.

There are potters in the Villages! We would like to see 3 potters wheels, a slab roller, and kiln!

There should be a room dedicated for Table Tennis play only. This room should be big enough to hold at least 6 Tables which are permanently assembled and available for play whenever the Rec Center is open. There should also be Table Tennis paddles and balls available for residents to use.

This could be impossible but could it be turned around, overlooking the Lake....

This current facility is in good shape and there is NO GOOD REASON to tear it down. Use the money to fix up the current facility. Building a new facility is a waste of money.

This is a great chance to provide a covered pool for those who are sensitive to the sun or are concerned about skin cancer or other skin-related issues. Tiki bar

Tiki bar by the pool and snacks

To have our current pool replicated when the new center is built. There is nothing like it in the entire villages and we would sorely miss our current pool and it's location. The pool being located between 2 buildings is a HUGE plus as in sheltering the pool from strong winds. Also, the center needs more or larger female rest rooms.

To have Rec center be like the first responder Rec center and to have a fire pit like fenny family pool

Two kiln rooms like the newer rec centers to accommodate more groups. Plenty of storage for groups that need it. Currently the basket weaving group has no storage at all and has to bring supplies every time they meet.

Two pickleball courts are not enough. Does anyone use the tennis courts? It would be great to have two more pickle ball courts.

Unlike First Responders, I would like the Resort Style Pool to have an entry into the pool with no stairs or steps. That's how it was suppose to be with First Responders

Update Dog Park amenities to those found at newer parks, such as that found at Dudley Canine Park.

Updated AV system. Updated PA system inside rooms. Ability to connect to the internet inside the building. Ability to make and receive phone calls inside the building. Some people (not me, I'm just fine) get too hot and then too cold within a short period of time, so maybe some way to control room temperature.

updated, modernized look

Villages have no indoor courts for volleyball and basketball. We are presently allowed to use school facilities but are at their mercy and their schedule which changes frequently.

walk in pool for safety shape not critical

Walk in pool - no steps

Want it to look spectacular like some of the other's.

Water aerobics Water volleyball Water Jets Would be great for those of us unable to attend these events in other villages

Water available for arts and crafts

Water polo league (shallow - 4 ft) I'd like to know if a business case has been done to assess the viability of an ice rink anywhere inside or outside the villages.

Waterfall in pool area, ex: like Orange Blossom pool.

We desperately need more indoor volleyball courts.

We do not use the pool

We like to be able to play bingo & other events please don't destroy just update!

We love the Mark Twain library. Please look at the facility, it is quaint, just our best kept secret. It really has so much to offer just the way it is. I really hope it will remain in its current home.. Thank you

We really need a gym for volleyball in this end of the Villages! Been waiting over ten years now!

WE would like a hot tub

We would like Dart Baseball to continue. This has been a large group activity for many years. Enjoyed by many people with an average of 60-80 people per league season. Also averaging 30-40 people on open play Monday's and Thursdays. Addressing concerns of damage from darts to walls we suggest using cork panels on back walls. They would look nice and protect walls from damage. Mats are placed in front of boards to protect floor

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We would like the rec center to have screened sitting areas on the back side to view the lake and golf course. An example would be the Fenney rec center. Just make it Fenney rec center with Spanish theme. ☺

We would like to see the new recreation center represent Mr. Harold Schwartz who is responsible for this wonderful community. Similar to Rohan Rec. But have it entirely devoted to Mr. Schwartz. This would be a wonderful tribute to this personable man. Please consider this recommendation.

We would love to see an indoor facility built for volleyball, basketball, and badminton. We know there is one coming for the South, but also need one in the North. The school gyms are only available to us on Sundays. Thank you for considering an indoor gym.

We would really like to see more pickleball courts. Long lines are making the wait between games very long. I rarely see more than one tennis court being used at any given time.

What is wrong with the facility as it stands now? Is this a waste of money?

What we have now is perfect for family. The resort style pool is more for relaxation NOT good for family

When I say consistent with other rec centers I mean like Seabreeze, Rohan, Mulberry lobby, Laurel Manor lobby, etc

When planning the new Mark Twain Library, I would like to see signs indicating where the library is located, a new checkout desk with room for donations and library materials, flooring that can be cleaned rather carpet, plenty of new shelving for books, dvds, audio cds, office space for the chairperson, separate space for processing books and other materials and storage space. Make it all on one level, easier for our seniors to get to. Make When visiting the First Responders building I noticed they had some electric games plus a basketball game, that would be good to have.

Why not a walk in 'beach' style pool similar to Fenney ? That is what was most requested for the First Responders center, but we did not get. Also - not much of a survey - 3 questions.

Wide steps. Plenty of shade area, please. No gradual entry. Too hard on knees!

Wiffle Ball field?

Wind & Sun protection while at pool. I was happy to hear Mr. Rohan say he was going to work with the various Recreation Service

Managers/Representatives to ensure that we are welcome in their facilities rather than telling their employees to tell us that people from displaced

With diving board

With diving board like the original!

Would like pool to be walk-in without having to use steps to enter. Small snack bar with limited items and open hours. A good sized hot tub.

Would like to keep the drive up covered entryway. It helps keep everyone dry during inclement weather.

Would like to see the pool be a walk in, like the pool in Fenney. This will help older folks getting in/out.

Would love a hot tub

Would love something similar to Edna's on the Green where after your recreation of choice you could have a food truck lunch and enjoy live music with an adult beverage.

Would love to have a 'lazy river' but I don't think we have the room there.

Would love to see a lazy river!!!!

Would love to see an indoor swimming pool in the villages.

Would love to see some beach tennis courts

Zero entry pool. Emergency shelter for residents.